

REFERENCE TITLE: driving on highways; speed limits

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## **HB 2314**

Introduced by  
Representatives Cinema, Ableser, Campbell CH, Lopes, Meza

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-702.04, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SPEED RESTRICTIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 28-702.04, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4       28-702.04. Maximum speed limit on interstate highways outside  
5       urbanized areas: definition

6       A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION, the speed limit  
7 for all types of motor vehicles is sixty-five miles per hour on the  
8 interstate system highways located outside of an urbanized area with a  
9 population of fifty thousand or more persons, except that the director may  
10 declare a lower speed limit on the highways pursuant to section 28-702.

11     B. A person shall not drive a motor vehicle at a speed in excess of  
12 the maximum speed limit prescribed by this section.

13     C. The director may order the increase of the maximum speed limit  
14 prescribed in subsection A of this section to seventy-five miles per hour on  
15 an individual interstate system highway subject to this section or on all of  
16 the interstate system highways in this state as prescribed in section 28-702.

17     D. UNLESS THE DIRECTOR DECLARES A LOWER SPEED LIMIT PURSUANT TO  
18 SECTION 28-702, THE SPEED LIMIT IS SIXTY MILES PER HOUR ON THE INTERSTATE  
19 SYSTEM HIGHWAYS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF AN URBANIZED AREA WITH A POPULATION OF  
20 FIFTY THOUSAND OR MORE PERSONS FOR BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:

21       1. A MOTOR VEHICLE OR VEHICLE COMBINATION WITH A DECLARED GROSS WEIGHT  
22 OF MORE THAN TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND POUNDS, EXCLUDING A MOTOR VEHICLE DESIGNED  
23 FOR CARRYING SIXTEEN OR MORE PASSENGERS, INCLUDING THE DRIVER. FOR THE  
24 PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, "DECLARED GROSS WEIGHT" AND "VEHICLE COMBINATION"  
25 HAVE THE SAME MEANINGS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 28-5431.

26       2. A VEHICLE THAT IS DRAWING A POLE TRAILER THAT WEIGHS SIX THOUSAND  
27 OR MORE POUNDS.

28       D. E. A violation of this section is a civil traffic violation, and  
29 the person is subject to a civil penalty that does not exceed the amount  
30 provided by section 28-1598.

31       E. F. For the purposes of this section, "urbanized area" means an  
32 urbanized area as defined in the decennial census by the United States bureau  
33 of the census.